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SUBJECT: ICFTU OFFICIALS TO TRAVEL TO TUNIS FOR ACHOUR TRIAL

1. OTTO KERSTEN, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF FREE TRADE UNIONS (ICFTU), AND JOHN VANDERVEKEN, ICFTU ASSISTANT GENERAL SECRETARY, BOTH PLAN TO BE IN TUNIS LATER THIS WEEK IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRIAL OF FORMER UGTT LABOR LEADER HABIB ACHOUR.
 2. VANDERVEKEN WILL ARRIVE FIRST, ON WEDNESDAY SEPT. 27 (AT 1355 ON A DIRECT FLIGHT FROM BRUSSELS), FOLLOWED BY KERSTEN ON THE AFTERNOON OF SEPT. 28, THE DAY THAT THE TRIAL IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN, ACCORDING TO VANDERVEKEN.
 3. KERSTEN HAS PREPARED WRITTEN TESTIMONY TO BE PRESENTED TO THE TRIAL JUDGE AND ALSO WILL BE AVAILABLE TO TESTIFY ORALLY. THE TESTIMONY, SAYS VANDERVEKEN, WILL SEEK TO COUNTER THE CHARGE THAT THE GENERAL STRIKE WHICH ACHOUR CALLED LAST JANUARY WAS POLITICALLY MOTIVATED.
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4. ACCORDING TO VANDERVEKEN'S INFORMATION, ACHOUR'S LAWYERS WILL MAKE A PRO FORMA REQUEST TO OBTAIN MORE TIME TO PREPARE ACHOUR'S DEFENSE, AND THIS WILL BE REJECTED TO PERMIT IMMEDIATE BEGINNING OF THE TRIAL. HINTON

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